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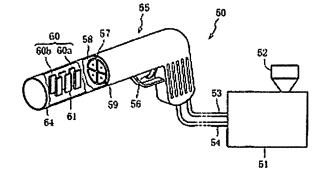
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## Abstract of WO03106137

An air-cushioning material and an apparatus for producing the material, where the material is capable of reliably preventing a product or a part from being broken or deformed. An aircushioning material-producing apparatus produces an air-cushioning material in the following way. Molten resin is sent out from a resin melting/extruding apparatus (51) through a hose (53) provided with a heater, and compressed air is sent out by a hose (54). A resin hollow-cylindrical body is formed by discharging molten resin from a resin discharge opening (58) where four adjacent closed loops are formed in a molten resin discharge member (57) of an air-cushioning material-forming machine (55). One end of the hollow-cylindrical body is cooled in a cooling section (60) and pressed and sealed by a press member (61) so as to form a resin hollow-cylindrical body having the bottom. Compressed air is blown from an air blow-out/exhaust opening (59) provided at a position surrounded by the closed loop-like resin discharge opening (58) so that the resin hollowcylindrical body is made to contain air inside. The other end is pressed and sealed by the press member (61) while extra air in the resin hollowcylindrical body is being exhausted from the air blow-out/exhaust opening (59). In this way, an air-cushioning material (10) having sealed both ends (12a, 12b) and adjacent four air cells (11) is produced.



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